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<b>Interview Summary</b>	<b>Application No.</b>	<b>Applicant(s)</b>
	10/616,408	ARTZ ET AL.
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Date of Interview: 2/5/2008.

Type: a) Telephonic b) Video Conference  
c) Personal [copy given to: 1) applicant 2) applicant's representative]

Exhibit shown or demonstration conducted: d) Yes e) No.  
If Yes, brief description: \_\_\_\_\_.

Claim(s) discussed: \_\_\_\_\_.

Identification of prior art discussed: Wil (6,496,824), Hogan (2003/0212594), and Chow (7,032,017).

Agreement with respect to the claims f) was reached. g) was not reached. h) N/A.

Substance of Interview including description of the general nature of what was agreed to if an agreement was reached, or any other comments: Examiner and Applicant's representative discussed about a proposed amendment (see attached), however, no agreement was reached. Examiner indicated that the amended feature "requesting information regarding a second characteristic of the second visitor computer from the second visitor computer" is not fully supported by Applicant's specification, especially in page 13, paragraphs [0040]-[0041] as specified by Applicant's representative.

(A fuller description, if necessary, and a copy of the amendments which the examiner agreed would render the claims allowable, if available, must be attached. Also, where no copy of the amendments that would render the claims allowable is available, a summary thereof must be attached.)

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PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS:

1. (Currently Amended) A method of identifying a visitor at a network site comprising:
  - receiving an address from a first visitor computer and a first characteristic of a second visitor computer;
  - requesting information regarding a second characteristic of the second visitor computer from the second visitor computer after receiving the address and the first characteristic;
  - receiving the information regarding the second characteristic of the second visitor computer; and
  - generating a first visitor identifier using the address, the first characteristic and the second characteristic.